

AGN. NO. _____

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY

July 3, 2012

Amendment to #54

The Los Angeles County Flood Control District is considering a ballot measure to levy a fee on parcels to address water quality pollution. State law requires that public as well as privately-owned parcels within the Los Angeles County Flood Control District be subject to this fee, including government and school district properties.

School districts in the County of Los Angeles are committed to improving water quality. However, school district budgets have been strained in the past few years, such that districts will be fiscally impacted by the proposed fee.

In the near future, school districts will be challenged to build water quality projects on their campuses. In addition, there is a great need to provide students and teachers with educational materials concerning water quality and other environmental issues. Schools provide an excellent opportunity for cities and the County to invest in water quality education.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Department of Public Works and County Counsel to continue to work with the Los Angeles Unified School District, the Los Angeles County Office of Education, and other school districts to include in the final draft of the Ordinance and/or the program elements provisions to address the schools' concerns and to ensure that:

1. School district representatives are engaged in each of the nine Watershed Authority Groups; and
2. A portion of the funds allocated to Watershed Authority Groups may be used toward implementation of projects and programs by school districts, including capital projects on school district properties and educational curricula related to water quality and environmental awareness.